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By Telegraph.

HALIFAX, N.S., Dec. 14.
The year's shipping business on the Great Lakes shows a revival of business. A great many disasters have occurred during the year, and one hundred and thirty-eight lives have been lost.

A destructive fire is reported from Portage LaPrairie, in Manitoba.
At a moonlighter's trial, in Cork, the jury, after ten minutes deliberation, returned a verdict of not guilty.

HOLYROOD, to-day.
Mr. Godden and party returned from the country yesterday with luggage, after abandoning the season's work on Witless Bay line. The men have been all paid off satisfactorily. Mr. Godden built twelve miles of road this season through a hard, rough and boggy country, and gave general satisfaction. The road so far as built, can bear scrutiny.

TREPASSEY, Dec. 14.
Automatic whistling buoy off Powell's Head, Trepassey, was taken in yesterday for the winter, but will be remoor ed as early as possible next spring.

CAPE RACE, to-day.
Wind S.S.E., moderate, with dens fog. Nothing sighted.

OUR ADVERTISING PATRONS.

Auction—beef, turkeys, &c. Jas Hynes
Auction—beef, mutton, &c. Clift, Wood & Co.
Auction—groceries. Jas Hynes
Home Industries. James Angel
Chimney-sweeping. John England
Boston kerosene oil. James Fair
North Sydney Coal. Barnes & Co.
Banking schooner for sale. Clift, Wood & Co.
Skates and sleds. At Wood's

AUCTION SALES.

POSTPONED SALE.

To-morrow, (WEDNESDAY,) at 11 o'clock,
By JAMES HYNES,
AT HIS ROOMS, OPPOSITE JOB BROS. & CO.
48 quarters Prime Fresh Beef,
ex stmr. "Miranda," from Halifax.
AND, AT 12 O'CLOCK,
131 cases SHELL OYSTERS, 1 cask TURKEYS.
(in prime order) dec14

To-morrow, (WEDNESDAY,) at 11 o'clock,
ON THE WHARF OF
CLIFT, WOOD & CO.,
200 qtrs prime fresh Beef,
12 cves prime fresh Mutton,
20 cves prime fresh Pork
Choice Turkeys, Geese & Chickens
ex "Plymouth," "Lorraine," "Annie Lewis," and
"Samuel Drake."
10 doz Cabbage; 50 brls Apples, 20 brls Parsnips.
dec14

For the benefit of whom it may concern.

To-morrow (WEDNESDAY,) at 11 o'clock,
By JAMES HYNES,
(AT HIS ROOMS, OPPOSITE JOB BROS. & CO.)
A large assortment of Groceries,
—VIZ—
Teas, Oatmeal, Peas, Sugar, Canned Meats, Pickles
Baking Powder, Starch, &c. Also, 20 Wonder
Lamps, Globes and Shades. d14

New Advertisements.

Boston Kero. Oil.
100 BARRELS,
ex E. B. Phillips from Boston.
Will be sold cheap if taken
from vessel's side.

JAMES BAIRD.
dec14,21p,t&th
Buy Your Coal Before the Season Advance.

FOR SALE AT
HARVEY & CO.'S,
(UPPER PREMISES)
Now landing, 100 Tons Best Quality
North Sydney Coal—Old Mines
Sent home at current rates while discharging.

BARNES & CO.
dec14,11
FOR SALE—THE AMERICAN
Schooner 'Annie Lewis,'
52 Tons Burthen, per Register.
BUILT at Gloucester, U.S.A., of Oak and Cop-
per-fastened; new suit of sails last Spring;
well found with Anchors; also One Banking
Cable. For further particulars apply to
dec14 **CLIFT, WOOD & CO.**

New Advertisements.

Still it Comes! The Public will have it!

ADAMANTINE,

'EXTREMELY HARD: HARD AS ADAMANT.'

We are just in receipt, by stmr. "Miranda," of

300 SIDES "ADAMANTINE" SOLE LEATHER.

This celebrated Leather is so very superior to any other brand that comes into the market, that it has won a favorable reception everywhere. Where it is once received it is always welcomed. It comes to stay: the friend of all.

A town in siege: it was held in consultation
Which was the best method of fortification.
A grave, skilful mason gave his opinion,
That nothing but stone could secure the dominion.
A carpenter said, "That was well spoke,
But it would be much better defended with oak."
A currier, being wiser than both these together,
Said, "Try what you please, Sirs, there's nothing like (Adamantine) Leather."

Bowring Brothers.

Winter Attraction!
CITY SKATING RINK!

SECURE YOUR SEASON TICKETS. PREPARE FOR THE OPENING.
Professor Bennett's excellent Brass Band will play during the season.

PRICES OF ADMISSION:

Season Tickets (Ladies).....	\$5.00	Skaters.....	\$0.20
Season Tickets (Gents).....	\$7.00	Skaters (Band nights).....	\$0.25
Children (under 14) till 6 p.m.....	\$2.50	Children Skaters (till 6 p.m.).....	\$0.10
Book of 12 tickets (good for any night).....	\$2.00	Spect tors.....	\$0.10

The proprietor reserves the right to appropriate the Rink for special occasions, such as carnivals, &c., when season tickets are not admissible.

OBJECTIONABLE PERSONS.—It is a distinct clause of the agreement (under which persons purchasing tickets) that the proprietor reserves the right to refuse admission to any person who is objectionable. The nature of the objection need not be stated; the objection is sufficient, and in all such cases of refusal the money will be returned.

Season Tickets and Books can be had at J. W. Foran's New and Old Confectionary Stores. Admission Tickets at the door. Season Tickets not transferable. Compet persons in attendance in Ladies' and Gents' Dressing Rooms: Skates for sale or hire at the Rink.

dec11,fp **J. W. FORAN,**

DISSOLUTION of CO-PARTNERSHIP

\$80,000

WORTH OF DRY GOODS TO BE SOLD.

THE FIRM of R. O'DWYER

Having decided to Dissolve Partnership, now offer their large stock of
Drapery and Other Goods for Sale.

Special Reduction in following Departments:

Women's and Children's Ulsters Jackets, Dolman's, Fur-lined Cloaks Fur Capes, Caps and Muffs Bonnets, Hats and Ostreich Feathers Tips, Algrettes, Ribbons, Laces Dress Goods—assorted Velveteens—plain and embossed Silk Velvets—plain and brocaded	Men's and Boys' Ready-made Clothing Overcoats, Hats, Fur and Cloth Caps Oxford Print and Dress Shirts Scotch and Canadian Underclothing—in shirts drawers and socks Melton and Tweed Top Shirts Women's and Children's Hosiery Boats and Shoes in great variety
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Also, Shirts, Sheetings, Blankets, Quilts, Ticks, Table-covers, Table Linen, Carpets, Rugs, Mats, &c
—IN ADDITION TO THE ABOVE—

100 Mens' and Boys' Reefers and Overcoats—from 10s. up.
Mens' Waterproof Coats, Rubber Shoes, and Gaiters.

WE WOULD CALL SPECIAL ATTENTION TO
Our First-class Stock of Worsted Coatings, Black
and Blue Indigo Pilots, Naps, and Irish Frize.

The balance of our stock of Fur Goods will be sold at greatly reduced prices. Now is the time to buy. The best is the cheapest.

The Public will please take notice that all Goods bought at this sale must be paid for on or before delivery. No Goods on approbation.

SALE-NOW-ON!

and will continue until the whole is disposed of.

289 WATER STREET, - R. O'DWYER
oct25,fp.

NOTICE.

ALL PARTIES indebted to the Estate of **F. W. FINLAY** are requested to make immediate payment at the office of the Business, Water Street, and all letters respecting said Accounts or Business, must be addressed to the Trustees.

J. E. P. PETERS,
JOHN SHARPE,
Trustees Estate F. W. Finlay.
St. John's, 8rd Dec., 1886—81,w,t

FOR SALE,

The Fast Sailing Sch. "Lorraine,"
68 tons burthen, per Register, Hardwood.

Built at Luenburg, N.S., well found in Sails, viz: mainsail and jib—1 year old; foresail, staysail and flying jib—new; 1 anchor and chain, 1 anchor and banking cable. For further particulars, apply to
dec11 **CLIFT, WOOD & CO.**

New Advertisements.

HOME INDUSTRIES!

THE undermentioned Sections of the H. I. E. S. will meet in "Home Industries Hall" at 7.30 o'clock, on the following days:—
Carpenters, Furniture-makers and Masons on Tuesday. 11
Tailors, Watchmakers and Professionals on Wednesday. 21
Machinists, Tinsmith, and Sailmakers on Thursday. 31
Fishermen, Coopers and Wheelwrights on Friday. 41
Bakers and Blacksmiths on Saturday. 51
Agriculturists on Saturday at noon. 51

JAMES ANGEL,
President.

CHIMNEY SWEEPING.

JOHN ENGLAND, College Lane, is ready at any time for CHIMNEY SWEEPING. Work thoroughly done. d14,31,pd

Skates! Skates!

Sleds! Sleds!

AT WOODS'S,

dec14 193 Water Street.
291, WATER STREET, 291.

The SUBSCRIBER has just received, by steamer
—from Liverpool—

Choice lot Xmas Goods,
Oranges, Grapes, Lemons, Raisins,
Nuts, Dates, Apples, Figs, Prunes,
Metz Fruits, Bon Bons, Holly, Ivy, &c.

—AND—

All kinds Xmas Groceries.
N.B.—For the information of his numerous customers, the subscriber will have, by next stmr. from Halifax, his usual Stock of Choice Poultry.
Orders for poultry taken now.

dec13,1w **L. WHITE.**

Mikado Fans!

A splendid assortment of
Fans of every description,
From 10 cts. to \$10 each.

A BEAUTIFUL SELECTION OF
CHRISTMAS CARDS,
(in plush, velvet and satin. from 2 cts. to \$5 each.)
The above will be sold cheap to clear off, during the next few days.

N. OHMAN,
dec8 Atlantic Hotel Building, Water-St.

To be Let.

The Trustees of British Hall will let by the year,
—or otherwise—

THE UPPER FLAT

Lately occupied by the Masonic Fraternity. This spacious Room (with Ante Rooms in connection) has been recently fitted up and decorated, and has large and convenient accommodation.
For terms, &c., apply to

dec13,1w,fp **C. B. RANKIN,**
Secretary.

Florida Oranges, Pears, Peaches, Etc., Etc.

Ex ss *Miranda* from New York and Halifax,
50 bxs Choice Florida Oranges
(Large and Sweet.)

A CHOICE ASSORTMENT OF
Finest New York Confectionery,
in fancy boxes, suitable for Xmas presents.
Pears, Peaches and Greengages,
in glass bottles—1 doz each bottle.

Silver-forked Pine Apple.
Peaches sliced for Sugar and Cream.
Pine Apple Marmalade.

A FEW HALF-BRLS. CHOICE PEARS.

—ALSO—
Turkeys, Ducks and Fowl,
(in prime order—fresh killed)
(the day before steamer left.)

Fresh Halifax Sausages,
(From the best maker in Halifax.)

100 boxes Colgate Soap—cheap.

dec11fp **J. A. EDENS.**

Received, per s.s. "Carthagénian,"
—AT—

J., J. & L. FURLONG'S
3, ARCADE BUILDINGS, 3.

One bale Heavy Dress Cloth,

(10s. per dozen.)
PLUSH—in black, card., navy, gold, prune, tabac
LAMBSWOOL—in all shades
Beehive Wool in all shades
Velveteen—in tabac., navy, cardinal, &c
One bale Velveteens; Blay and White Calico, 8d,
4d, 5d and 6d dec8

New Advertisements.

Unequaled.

Received, per steamer *Miranda*,
300 Sides "Cogan Valley"
Sole Leather.

The large increase in the sale of this favorite brand of leather, is a convincing proof that the public appreciate its good qualities more than ever. The present shipment will be found superior in every respect. It was carefully selected; is close grained, firm, and free from brands. "Cogan Valley" is unquestionably the best Sole Leather in the market.

T. & M. WINTER.

Government Notice

SEALED TENDERS will be received at the
BOARD OF WORKS OFFICE until SATURDAY,
18th instant, at Noon, for Supplying the

**Lunatic Asylum, Hospitals,
Poor Asylum, Gaol, and other
Public Institutions,**

with the following articles for Twelve Months,
—from the 1st January, 1887, viz:—

Fresh Beef and Mutton.....	per lb
Bread—best wheaten.....	ditto
Biscuits—good, Nos. 2 and 3.....	per cwt
Pork—salt, Canadian or American Mess.....	per cwt
of 200 lbs.....	per btl
Flour—super, States, of 198 lbs.....	ditto
Oatmeal—Canadian.....	ditto
Pease—split and round.....	ditto
Molasses.....	per Imp. gal
Butter.....	per lb
Coffee.....	ditto
Tea—good Congo, to be accompanied by samples.....	ditto
Sugar—best Porto Rico.....	per cwt. or lb
Sugar—crushed.....	ditto
Soap—Scotch.....	ditto
Soap—Liverpool.....	ditto
Rice—Carolina.....	ditto
Rice—East Indian.....	ditto
Candles—Mould.....	per lb
Kerosene oil—fire-test 150.....	per gal
Sago.....	per lb
Barley—pearl and pot.....	ditto
Arrowroot—best Bermuda.....	ditto
Washing Soda.....	ditto
Starch.....	ditto
Blue.....	ditto
Pepper.....	ditto
Mustard.....	ditto
Salt—fine.....	ditto
Salt—coarse.....	per hhd
Blacklead.....	per cwt or lb
Whiting.....	per lb
Onions.....	ditto
Blacking.....	per doz boxes
Matches.....	per doz boxes
Vinegar.....	per gal
Lime Juice.....	per doz
Porter.....	per gal
Milk.....	per doz
Eggs.....	per doz
Fish—best salt cod.....	per cwt

All the articles to be of the best quality and deliverable at the Institutions in such quantities and at such times as may be required by the Superintendent, and subject to rejection, without appeal from his decision, if not approved of.

Tenders for the supply of all or either of the above articles will be received, as also for each Institution, separately.

The prices to be stated in words at length, and Tenders to be addressed to the Secretary.

Good and sufficient security for the performance of the contract required.

Payment made quarterly.

The Board do not bind themselves to accept the lowest or any tender.

(By order,
W. R. STIRLING,
Pro Secretary.

BOARD OF WORKS OFFICE,
10th December, 1886. dec10

Newfoundland.

No. 1, 1886.

TO MARINERS.

Ireland's Island, LaPoile Bay.

Latitude . . . 47° 37' 52" N.
Longitude. . . 58° 23' 13" W.

A circular IRON TOWER and a wood Keeper's dwelling (16 feet apart, and bearing W.S.W. from each other) have been erected on the above-named Island, where there will be exhibited nightly, on and after this date, from sunset to sunrise,

A 5th Order Holophotal Revolving White Light,

showing alternate flashes and total eclipses, its greatest brilliancy being attained at periods of 12 seconds. It illuminates the whole horizon, to a distance of 9½ miles.

From highwater to base of Tower. . . 32 feet.
From base to centre of Light. . . 35 feet.
From highwater to base of Vane. . . 71 feet.

The house and tower are painted red and white, in alternate horizontal bands, continuous around both buildings. (By order.)

W. R. STIRLING,
Board of Works Office, pro Secretary.
4th December, 1886. d11,fp

Just Received at the
BAVARIAN BEER DEPOT,

a fresh supply of
B. & P.'S LONDON INVALID STOUT,
Xmas Beer, Choice Havana Cigars
Cigarettes and Tobaccos.

ALSO, PIPES, CIGAR-HOLDERS, XMAS CARDS
MECHANICAL TOYS, MUSIC BOXES, &c;
dec9fp

THE MIKADO; OR, THE TOWN OF TITIPU.

An Original Japanese Comic Opera.

Written by W. S. GILBERT; Composed by ARTHUR SULLIVAN.

At Star of the Sea Hall, This Monday Evening, Dec. 13th.

DRAMATIS PERSONÆ;

The Mikado of Japan..... John Flannery
 Nanki-Poo (his son, disguised as a wandering minstrel, and in love with Yum-Yum)..... Dr. Rendell
 Ko-Ko (Lord High Executioner of Titipu)..... C. Hutton
 Pish-Bah (Lord High Everything Else)..... George Shea
 Pish-Tush (a Noble Lord)..... John Barron
 Yum-Yum; Pitti-Sing; Peep-Bo (Three Sisters—wards of Ko-Ko)..... Miss Fisher, Miss Shea, Miss Foran
 Katisha (an elderly lady, in love with Nanki-Poo)..... Miss Cornack
 Chorus of Schools-girls, Nobles, Guards, and Coolies.

ACT I.—(Continued.)

Nank.—I'll tell you how we'll manage it. Let me marry Yum-Yum to-morrow, and in a month you may behold me.

Ko.—No, no. I draw the line at Yum-Yum.

Nank.—Very good. If you can draw the line, so can I (preparing the rope.)
 Ko.—Stop, stop—listen one moment—be reasonable. How can I consent to your marrying Yum-Yum if I'm going to marry her myself?

Nank.—My good friend, she'll be a widow in a month, and you can marry her then.

Ko.—That's true, of course. I quite see that, but, dear me, my position during the next month will be most unpleasant!

Nank.—Not half so unpleasant as my position at the end of it.

Ko.—But—dear me—well, I agree—after all, it's only putting off my wedding for a month. But you won't prejudice her against me, will you? You see I've educated her to be my wife; she's been taught to regard me as a wise and good man. Now I shouldn't like her views on that point disturbed.

Nank.—Trust me, she shall never never learn the truth from me.

FINALE.

[Enter Chorus, Pish-Bah, and Pish-Tush.]

CHORUS.

With aspect stern
 And gloomy stride,
 We come to learn
 How you decide.

Don't hesitate
 Your choice to name;
 A dreadful fate
 You'll suffer the same.

Pish.—To ask you what you mean to do we punctually appear.

Ko. Congratulate me, gentlemen, I've found a Volunteer.

All. The Japanese equivalent for Hear, Hear, Hear!

Ko. [presenting him] 'Tis Nanki-Poo!

All. Hail, Nanki-Poo!

Ko. I think he'll do.

All. Yes, yes, he'll do.

Ko.—He yields his life if I'll Yum-Yum surrender;

Now I adore that girl with passion tender,

And could not yield her with a ready will,

Or her allot, if I did not

Adore myself with passion tender still.

All. Ah, yes.

He loves himself with passion tender still!

Ko. [To Nanki-Poo]—Take her—she's yours.

[Enter Yum-Yum, Peep-Bo, & Pitti-Sing]

Nank and Yum-Yum—Oh, rapture.

ENSEMBLE.

Yum-Yum and Nank.—The threatened cloud has passed away.

And brightly shines the dawning day;

What though the night may come too soon,

There's yet a month of afternoon!

Then let the throng

Our joy advance,

With laughing song

And merry dance.

With joyous shout and ringing cheer,

Inaugurate our brief career!

CHORUS:

Then let the throng, etc.

Pitti-Sing—A day, a week, a month, a year—

Or be it far, or be it near,

Life's eventime comes much too soon,

You'll live at least a honeymoon,

All. Then let the throng, etc.

SOLO—Pish-Bah.

As in three weeks you've got to die,

If Ko-Ko tells us true,

'Twere empty compliment to cry

Long life to Nanki-Poo!

But as you've got three weeks to live

As fellow citizen,

This toast with three times three we'll give—

"Long life to you—till then!"

CHORUS:

May all good fortune prosper you

May you have health and riches too,

May you succeed in all you do.

Long life to you—till then.

DANCE.

Enter Katisha, melodramatically.

Kat.—Your revels cease—assist me all of you!

CHORUS:

Why, who is this whose evil eyes

Rain blight on our festivities?

Kat.—I claim my perjured lover, Nanki,

Poo!

Oh fool, to shun delights that never cloy!

Come back, oh shallow fool, come back to joy!

CHORUS:

Go leave thy deadly work undone;

Away, away, ill-favored one!

Nank, [aside to Yum-Yum]—Ah!

'Tish Katisha!

The maid of whom I told

you [about to go].

Kat. [detaining him]—No!

You shall not go.

These arms shall thus enfold you!

SONG—Katisha.

[Addressing Nank.]

Oh fool, that fleest

My hollowed joys!

Oh blind, that seest

No equivoise!

Oh, rash, that judgest

From half the whole!

Oh, base, that grudgest

Love's lightest dole;

Thy heart unbind,

Oh fool, oh blind!

Give me my place,

Oh rash, oh base!

CHORUS.

If she's the bride restore her place,

Oh fool, oh blind, oh rash, oh base!

Kat. [addressing Yum.]

Pink cheek, that rulest

Where wisdom serves!

Bright eye, that fooldest;

Steel-tempered nerves;

Rose-lip, that scornest

Lore-laden years—

Sweet tongue, that warmest

Who rightly hears—

Thy doom is nigh,

Pink cheek, bright eye!

Thy knell is rung,

Rose-lip, sweet tongue!

CHORUS.

If true her tale, thy knell is rung,

Pink cheek, bright eye, rose-lip, sweet

tongue!

Pitti-Sing. Away, nor prosecute your

quest—

From our intention well

expressed

You cannot turn us!

The state of your con-

nuial views

Toward the person you

accuse

Does not concern us!

For he's going to marry

Yum-Yum!

All. Yum-Yum!

Pitti. And join our expressions of glee.

On this subject I pray you better

succumb—

All. Dumb—dumb!

Pitti. You'll find there are many

Who'll wed for a penny—

The word for your guidance is

"Mum!"

All. Mum—mum!

Pitti. There's lot's of good fish in the

sea!

And you'll find there are many

etc.

SOLO—Katisha.

The hour of gladness

Is dead and gone;

In silent sadness

I live alone!

The hope I cherished

All lifeless lies,

And all has perished

Save love, which never dies!

Oh, faithless one, this insult

you shall rue!

In vain for mercy on your knees

you'll sue.

Nank. [aside] Now comes the blow!

Kat. Prepare yourself for news sur-

prising!

Nank [aside]. How foil my foe?

Kat. No minstrel he, despite bravado!

Yum [aside, struck by an idea].

Ha! ha! I know!

Kat. He is the son of your—

[Nanki-Poo and Yum-Yum, interrupt-

ing, sing Japanese words to drown

her voice.]

O ni! bikkuri shakkuri to!

O sa! bikkuri shakkuri to!

Kat. In vain you interrupt with this

tornado;

He is the only son of your—

O ni! bikkur shakkuri to!

I'll spoil—

O ni! bikkuri shakkuri to!

Your gay gambado!

Kat. He is the son—

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P. E. Island Produce.

On sale by Clift, Wood & Co.,

The cargo of sch. 'S. Drake,' consisting of:

1308 bushels Oats, 500 brls Potatoes

60 bushels Turnips, 23 bushels Barley

70 head Cabbage

Oats. Potatoes. Turnips.

On Sale by Clift, Wood & Co.,

200 barrels Potatoes, 1147 bushel Oats,

50 bushels Turnips.

The cargo of the schooner 'Annie Lewis,' from

Souris, P. E. Island.

FOR SALE

By B. & T. MITCHELL,
100 Boxes RAISINS—new Fruit

25 cases CURRANTS—new fruit, 50 boxes Canadian CHEESE, 20 boxes Royal BAKING POWDER, 150 Choice HAMS.

BLACK SMITHING.

THE SUBSCRIBER begs to acquaint his many friends, and the public generally, that he has recently opened that FORGE formerly occupied by the late Mr. JOHN KELLY, opposite the wharf of Messrs. W. & G. RENDELL, Water-street, where he is prepared to do all kinds of BLACK SMITH WORK, SHIP, FARM and JOBBING. HORSE-SHOEING a specialty. Satisfaction guaranteed. Prices moderate, to suit the hard times. A trial solicited from the most fastidious.

CHARLES TRENCHARD,
Water-Street, East.

TO BE SOLD,**A HALL STOVE—No. 2**

of the newest and best description—nearly new.

Will be sold cheap. Apply to COLONIST Office.

129--Water Street--129

Ladies' Fur-lined Cloaks—at half price
 Fur Trimmings (all widths) in Black, Brown and A lot Muffs—less than cost [Grey—very cheap
 Ladies' Fur Capes—very cheap
 Women's & Children's Jackets—very low prices
 200 Pairs Mens' Pants—from 4s 6d
 100 Mens' Blue Serge Coats—cheap
 50 Mens' Heavy Overcoats

Lot Mens' Diagonal and Beaver Overcoats—at cost
 Boots and Shoes—cheaper than ever [price

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R. HARVEY.

Xmas Nos., Annual Vols., &c.

THE Christmas No. of Yule Tide, with colored plates. The Christmas No. of Father Xmas, with colored plates.

The Christmas No. of Weldon's Ladies' Journal, colored plates.

The Leisure Hour, vol for 1886

The Sunday at Home, vol for 1886

The Sunday Magazine, vol for 1886

The Magazine of Art, vol for 1886

Cassell's Family Magazine, vol for 1886

Good Words, vol for 1886

Peter Parley's Annual, vol for 1887

Little Folks, vol for 1886

Family Herald, vol 57

Faithful Words, vol for 1886

Welcome, vol for 1885

Boys' & Girls' Companion, vol for 1886

J. F. CHISHOLM.

The 2,000**Young Men and Women**

who left Newfoundland during the present year, want their friends to send them some of S. H. PARSONS' "Christmas Cards" of Scenes in Old Terra Nova. We have a superior collection—some thousands of subjects—ahead of anything ever produced in this country.

If you want your friends (in a foreign country) to receive something that will be fully appreciated, and will make their hearts warm towards the dear ones left behind, to be kept as a memento or souvenir of "Home, Sweet Home," send them some of these cards; and those that have friends in a warm climate, send them a refrigerator—our Icebergs are photographed and tinted so natural! It will make them cool to look at one. There are over 5000 subject to select from, which embrace some of the prettiest and most artistic bits of scenery about St. John's, and within a radius of 100 miles; the names and places would be too numerous to specify in an ordinary advertisement.

Fine Art Emporium—310 Water Street.

And at late "Tremont House," Duckworth Street, East.

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Just Received by the Subscriber,

AT HIS PROVISION & GROCERY STORES, Nos. 179 & 180, WATER STREET,

10 brls Mess Beef, 5 half-brls Mess Beef, 10 cases

Corned Beef—1 & 2lb tins.

—AND IN STOCK—

30 BOXES VALENCIA RAISINS—new fruit—2lb boxes, 10 cases CURRANTS—new fruit, 10 brls Sugar—canary color, 10 brls Sugar—bright color, 20 firkins best Butter—new, 20 firkins best Butter—second quality, 20 half-chests Tea—this seasons. —ALSO—Bread Flour, Heavy Mess Pork, Family Mess Loins, &c. AND 50 boxes Fancy Biscuits, viz.: Soda, Boston, Pilot, Lemon, Fruit, Sweet Wine, Sugar, Ginger, &c.

TOBACCOS—Smoking and Chewing—Cut Plug, Gold Leaf, and other choice brands.

Royal Baking Powders, Pure Gold Baking Powder, Morton's Baking Powder, Rice, Sago, Arrowroot, Barley, Grey's Jam, Jelly—in bottles.

A. P. JORDAN.

dec11

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(continued from second page.)
 All. O ni! bikkuri shakkuri to!
 Kat. Of your—
 All. O ni! bikkuri shakkuri to!
 ENSEMBLE.—Katisha.
 Ye tempests roar!
 Ye tempests howl,
 Your wrath outpour
 With angry growl!
 Do ye your worst, my vengeance call
 Shall rise triumphant over all!
 Prepare for woe,
 Ye haughty lords,
 At once I go
 Mikado wards,
 And when he learns his son is found
 My wrongs with vengeance shall be
 crowned!

The Others.
 We'll hear no more,
 Ill-omened owl;
 To joy we soar
 Despite your scowl.
 The echoes of our festival
 Shall rise triumphant over all!
 Away you go,
 Collect your hordes;
 Proclaim your woe
 In dismal chords;
 We do not heed their dismal sound,
 For joy reigns everywhere around!
 [Katisha rushes furiously up stage,
 clearing the crowd away right and
 left, finishing on steps at back of
 stage.]

ACT II.

Scene—Ko-Ko's Garden.

Yum-Yum discovered seated at her
 bridal toilet, surrounded by maidens,
 who are dressing her hair and paint-
 her face and lips, as she judges of the
 effect in a mirror.

CHORUS.

Braid the raven hair—
 Weave the supple tress—
 Deck the maiden fair
 In her loveliness—
 Paint the pretty face—
 Dye the coral lid—
 Emphasize the grace
 Of her ladyship!
 Art and nature, thus allied,
 Go to make a pretty bride!

Solo—Petti-Sing.

Sit with downcast eye—
 Let it brim with dew—
 Try if you can cry—
 We will do so to.
 When you're summoned, start
 Like a frightened roe—
 Flutter, little heart,
 Color, come and go!
 Modesty at marriage-tide
 Well becomes a pretty bride!

CHORUS.

Braid the raven hair, etc.

[Exeunt Chorus.]

Yum.—[looking at herself in glass].
 Yes, I am indeed beautiful! Some-
 times I sit and wonder, in my artless
 Japanese way, why it is that I am so
 much more attractive than anybody
 else in the wide world. Can this be
 vanity? No! Nature is lovely and re-
 joices in her loveliness. I am a child
 of Nature and take after my mother.

Song.—Yum-Yum.

The sun whose rays
 Are all ablaze
 With ever living glory,
 Does not deny
 His Majesty—
 He scorns to tell a story!
 He don't exclaim.
 "I blush for shame,
 So kindly be indulgent."
 But, fierce and bold,
 In fiery gold,
 He glories all effulgent!
 I mean to rule the earth,
 As he the sky—
 We really know our worth,
 The sun and I.

Observe his flame,
 That placid dame,
 The moon's Celestial Highness;
 There's not a trace
 Upon her face
 Of diffidence or shyness;
 She borrows light,
 That through the night,
 Mankind may all acclaim her!
 And, truth to tell,
 She lights up well,
 So I, for one, don't blame her!
 Ah, pray make no mistake,
 We are not shy;
 We're very wide awake,
 The moon and I.

Yum.—Yes, everything seems so smile
 on me. I am to be married to-day to
 the man I love best, and I believe I am
 the very happiest girl in Japan.

Peep.—The happiest girl indeed, for
 she is indeed to be envied who has at-
 tained happiness in all but perfection.

Yum.—In "all but" perfection?
 Peep.—Well, dear, it can't be denied
 that the fact that your husband is to be
 beheaded in a month is, in its way, a
 drawback.

Pitti.—I don't know about that. It all
 depends!
 Peep.—At all events he will find it a
 drawback.

Pitti.—Not necessarily. Bless you, it
 all depends.
 Yum.—[In tears.] I think it very in-
 delicate of you to refer to such a subject
 on such a day. If my married happi-
 ness is to be—to be—

Peep.—Cut short.
 Yum.—Well, cut short—in a month,
 can't you let me forget it? [Weeping.]

Enter Nanki-Poo, followed by Pish-Tush
 Nank.—Yum-Yum in tears—and on her
 wedding morn!
 Yum.—[Sobbing]. They've been re-
 minding me that in a month you're to
 be beheaded. [Bursts into tears.]
 Pitti.—Yes, we've been reminding her
 that you're to be beheaded. [Bursts
 into tears.]
 Peep.—It's quite true, you know, you
 are to be beheaded! [Bursts into tears.]
 Nank.—[Aside.] Hump! How some
 bridegrooms would be depressed by
 this sort of thing! [Aloud.] A month?
 Well, what's a month? Bah! These
 divisions of time are purely arbitrary.
 Who says twenty-four hours make a
 day?

Pitti.—There's a popular impression
 to that effect.
 Nank.—Then we'll efface it. We've
 about thirty years of married happiness
 before us.
 Peep.—And at that rate this interview
 has already lasted four hours and three-
 quarters.

[Exit Peep-Bo.]

Yum [still sobbing].—Yes. How
 time flies when one is thoroughly en-
 joying one's self.
 Nank.—That's the way to look at it.
 Don't let's be down-hearted. There's a
 silver lining in every cloud.

Yum.—Certainly. Let's—let's be per-
 fectly happy. [Almost in tears.]
 Pish.—By all means. Let's—let's
 thoroughly enjoy ourselves.

Pitti.—It's—it's absurd to cry. [Try-
 ing to force a laugh.]
 Yum.—Quite ridiculous. [Trying to
 laugh.]

[All break into forced and melancholy
 laughter.]

QUARTETTE.

Yum-Yum, Pitti-Sing, Nanki-Poo, and
 Pish-Tush.
 Brightly dawns our wedding day;
 Joyous hour, we give thee greeting!
 Whither, whither art thou fleeing?
 Fickle moment, prithee stay!
 What though mortal joys be hollow?
 Pleasures come, if sorrows follow;
 Though the tocsin sound, erelong,
 Ding dong! Ding dog!
 Yet until the shadows fall
 Over one and over all,
 Sing a merry madrigal—

A madrigal!

Fal-la—fal-la! etc. [ending in tears].
 Let us dry our ready tear.
 Though the hours are surely creeping,
 Little need for woeful weeping,
 Till the sad sundown is near.
 All must sip the cup of sorrow—
 I to-day and thou to-morrow;
 This the close of every song—
 Ding dong! Ding dong!

What though solemn shadows fall,
 Sooner, later, over all?
 Sing a merry madrigal—

A madrigal!

Fal-la—fal-la! etc. [ending in tears].

[Exeunt Pitti-Sing and Pish-Tush.]

Nanki-Poo embraces Yum-Yum. Enter
 Ko-Ko. Nanki-Poo releases Yum-
 Yum.

Ko.—Go on—Don't mind me.
 Nank.—I'm afraid we were distressing
 you.

Ko.—Never mind, I must get used to
 it. Only please do it by degrees. Be-
 gin by putting your arm round her
 waist. [Nanki-Poo does so.] There;
 let me get used to that first.

Yum.—Oh, wouldn't you like to re-
 tire? It must pain you to see us so af-
 fectionate together.

Ko.—No I must learn to bear it. Now
 oblige me by allowing her head to rest
 on your shoulder. [He does so—Ko-Ko
 much affected.] I am much obliged to
 you. Now—kiss her. He does so; Ko-
 Ko writhes with anguish. Thank you;
 it's simple torture.

Yum.—Come, come bear up. After
 all, it's only for a month.
 Ko.—It's no use deluding one's self
 with false hopes.

Nank. What do you mean?
 Yum.

Ko. [to Yum-Yum]—My child—my
 poor child. [Aside.] How shall I break
 it to her? [Aloud.] My little bride
 that was to have been—

Yum.—[Delighted.] Was to have
 been!

Ko.—Yes, you never can be mine.

Yum.—[In ecstasy.] What?

Ko.—I've just ascertained that by the
 Mikado's law, when a married man is
 beheaded, his wife is buried alive.

Nank. Buried alive!

Yum. Buried alive. It's a most un-
 pleasant death.

Nank.—But whom did you get that
 from?

Ko.—Oh, from Pooh-Bah. He's my
 Solicitor.

Yum.—But he may be mistaken.

Ko.—So I thought. So I consulted
 the Attorney General, the Lord Chief
 Justice, the Master of the Rolls, the
 Judge Ordinary, and the Lord Chancel-
 lor. They're all of the same opinion.
 Never knew such unanimity on a point
 of law in my life.

Nank.—But stop a bit. This law has
 never been put in force.

Ko.—Not yet. You see flirting is the
 only crime punishable with decapita-
 tion, and married men never flirt.

Nank.—Of course they don't. I quite
 forgot that. Well, I suppose I may
 take it that my dream of happiness is
 at an end.

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Daily Colonist.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 14, 1886.

A VERY CREDITABLE PERFORMANCE.

A large and fashionable audience filled the Star of the Sea hall last evening to greet the performers of Sullivan's and Gilbert's popular opera—"The Mikado." Amongst those present were His Excellency, Sir George W. DesVoeux and Lady, Hon. Premier Thorburn, and several other members of the government, and representatives of the "youth beauty and fashion" of the city. The stage was decorated with vases of plants, and rich Japanese fans and umbrellas. The performance was in every way most creditable. The costumes were rich, and the several tableaux were really grand. The dresses of the Mikado, Pooh-Bah, Nanki-Poo, Ko-Ko, Yum-Yum, Petti-Sing and Peep-Bo were quite gorgeous. The music of the Mikado is not so pleasing as the music of *Pinafore* or *Patience* which has contributed so greatly to the reputation of Sullivan and Gilbert; but the satirical touches, richness of costume, striking situations, unique tableaux and humorous dialogues, render the opera attractive and very popular wherever it is performed. The music is not without merit, especially the duets, trios and quartettes, and the glee—"See how the fates their gifts allot," which is one of the finest compositions of the opera.

As the full libretto is being published in the COLONIST, we need not give any synopsis of the incidents of the opera; but will briefly refer to the manner in which the leading characters acquitted themselves. The part of Yum-Yum, was performed by Miss Fisher with the ease, grace and musical skill of an artist. From her well-known ability as a singer much was expected, and she more than came up to the expectations of the audience. The love scene in the first act, betwixt Yum-Yum and Nanki-Poo—Dr. Rendell, was true to life, without having the faintest sign of indelicacy. Yum-Yum was cleverly supported by Pitti-Sing (Miss Shea) and Peep Bo (Miss Foran). "He is going to marry Yum-Yum," was sung by the former lady, in the most charming style.

Pooh Bah (George Shea) in voice and manner was all that could be desired, and his performance of this part could not be excelled. The rich baritone voice of Mr. Barron, told with fine effect in the part of Pish Tish. Both in the solos and in the duets and trios, in which he sang, his voice was heard with rapture.

Miss Cormack's voice in the songs was weak; but in the dialogues she was heard distinctly. She performed her part with great spirit, and showed no little histrionic talent, and in her acting especially acquitted herself with marked ability.

Dr. Rendell, as Nanki-Poo, performed his difficult part admirably, although his voice is not powerful it is very sweet; and what he wanted in range and power of voice, he more than made up in the perfect acting of his part.

The grand feature of the performance was the entrance of the Mikado, (John Flannery) with banner, heralds, and the other insignia of Japanese royalty. Not only in splendor of costume, but in the performance of every detail of the part, Mr. Flannery acquitted himself with the perfection of a master of the mimic stage. His good-natured local allusions were well received, and won the hearty plaudits of the audience.

Ko-Ko (Charles Hutton) showed great versatility of talent. The perseverance and marked ability which he has shown in bringing out this difficult work, reflect great credit upon him and the talented ladies and gentlemen who performed their several parts so creditably. We must not forget to mention the skill and good taste of the pianist (Mrs. Henry Bradshaw) and the orchestra of

Bennett's Band. Altogether the performance was one which could not be excelled by amateurs in any town on this side of the Atlantic. It was really a splendid night's performance, and an event in which the good people of St. John's may well feel proud.

HOME INDUSTRIES.

An advertisement in another column calls upon the various sections of the Home Industries Society, to meet in their hall upon a stated evening of this week. The Executive Committee have adopted this method of starting the sections upon their particular parts of the work of the Home Industries Society, and to formally welcome their members to the hall which has been hired and fitted up for their use. Each section will have some routine work laid before it by the executive, such as the choosing of a regular night of meeting, and the election of a vice-chairman and treasurer, and after this has been done each is expected to enter upon a discussion of the special interests of the trade it represents. To night the carpenters, furniture-makers and (see advt.) are expected to meet, and it is hoped that the members of each section will assemble in large numbers. They will be welcomed into warm and cosy rooms, and will spend a profitable and pleasant evening. Other sections will receive like treatment, and are referred to our advertising columns for particulars as to their night of meeting. Not only members of sections, but all persons desirous of becoming members are cordially invited, to attend these meetings.

FATHER MORRIS ON THE LECTURE PLATFORM IN BOSTON.

We take the following from the Boston *Daily Globe* of the 23rd ult., from which our readers will perceive that the Revd. lecturer is a staunch opponent of confederation, and believes that Newfoundland can paddle her own canoe. We fancy Father Morris will find a great many of his countrymen of the same opinion.

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FATHER MORRIS OF NEWFOUNDLAND ON THE FISHING TROUBLES.

Rev. Father Morris, founder of Villanova, Newfoundland, a home for orphan boys, lectured in the Meionaon last evening for the benefit of his institution. Father Morris educates these poor boys, but when they are educated on account of the undeveloped resources of the country there are no places for them. Father Morris showed that Newfoundland has rich resources that need only to be developed in order to make the country a most desirable place.

He illustrated the lecture by means of numerous anecdotes, and in referring to the fishery troubles said: "We are no part of Canada; we are free and independent; we have resisted all bribes that have been offered to induce us to become a part of the Dominion. We have the bait that your American fishermen want, the fishing grounds are free; now why not come to us and make your treaty; nobody else can give it to you. All that we want in return is some kind of a reciprocity treaty whereby we can sell fish free in the United States, fish that will not interfere with the sales of your fishermen, and we will buy our flour and all the articles that we now purchase of Canada of you. Come to us, we have the power; don't go to Canada, there is no need of it."

At the close Father Morris hoped that he would again be able to lecture before a Boston audience, when he would try and give a better idea of the needs of Newfoundland.

A MARVEL IN SURGERY.

Much interest is excited in medical circles by the successful issue of a remarkable operation recently performed by Sir William McCormack of the Royal College of Surgeons. It is the second operation so performed by him within the last few months, and it is believed that there are no previous instances of success in such operations in Europe or, possibly, in America.

Some time ago a slater fell from the scaffold of a house, a distance of eighteen feet to the ground. He was carried to St. Thomas' Hospital, suffering extreme agony. No bones were found to be broken, but on diagnosing the case Sir William McCormack came to the conclusion that the bladder had been ruptured.

The man was put under anæsthetics, an incision into the abdomen made and the diagnosis verified. The contents of the stomach and perineum were withdrawn, the bladder taken out, a suture made and tested, the organs all

replaced, the stomach thoroughly cleansed with antiseptics and the incision closed.

The patient emerged from his insensible condition relieved of pain. A few days later he was in a comfortable condition and was declared practically out of danger. The operation occupied two hours. The failure of similar operations is attributed by leading surgeons to the delay in deciding upon them, the result of which has usually been the death of the patient by peritonitis.

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SOCIETY LOSES A STAR AND THE CHURCH GAINS A DEVOTEE.

Society circles were astonished lately when it was learned that among the passengers on the steamer *Umbria*, which left New York Saturday, was Miss May McTavish, a young and well-known member of Baltimore society, and a daughter of the late Charles Carroll McTavish. She has gone to Europe to enter the Convent of Carmelite nuns at Brussels.

Though Miss McTavish had considered the matter of entering a convent for some time, it was not until a few weeks ago that she determined to forsake the world. She corresponded with the prioresses of the convents of the order in Baltimore and St. Louis, there being but three of them in this country, the third being at New Orleans, and finding that the convents were full, the number of nuns at each convent being limited, she communicated with the prioress of the convent at Brussels, and the result is her departure for that city. Her sister, Miss Virginia McTavish, went with her from Baltimore to New York, and bade her good-bye at the steamer. A seamstress accompanied Miss McTavish on the voyage.

When Miss McTavish entered society, a few years ago, she gained a position as one of its brightest leaders, and held a place in the esteem of her many friends to which she was entitled by her beauty, many graces and acquirements. As a descendant of Charles Carroll of Carrollton on her father's side, and of General Winfield Scott on her mother's, she inherited many of the qualities which have characterized those families for several generations in those countries.

Though Miss McTavish had become of rather a retiring disposition since forming her resolution to enter upon conventual life, her many friends will no doubt be surprised at her intention, which was known to but few persons outside her immediate family. She will enter the convent immediately upon her arrival in Brussels, though no particulars as to the ceremonies attendant thereupon have yet been made known.

A younger sister, Miss Emily McTavish, took the black veil October 7, 1883, at the convent of the visitation, Mount de Sales, near Catonsville, Md., and is known as Sister Mary Agnes. Both young ladies are very beautiful, and Miss May, who now renounces the world, has had many suitors for her hand. She was a splendid horsewoman, and frequently won the brush in the hunts of the Elkridge Club. Their family is very wealthy. The order of Carmelite Nuns, of which Miss McTavish is to become a member, was instituted in the fifteenth century, by John Soreth, and the rules of the convent are very severe and rigid. When once a person has passed her novitiate and taken the black veil there is no return to the world, but the members spend their whole time in devotion within the walls of the convent, from which they never depart.

The great drawbacks to this otherwise healthy climate, are the long winter and wet spring, when our streets are flooded with snow-water. But if you are careful to see that your boots are soled with "Adamantine" leather, you may laugh defiance at all kinds of weather. BOWRING BROS.

THE OCEAN MAIL SERVICE.

Postmaster General Raikes, speaking at Alnwick, recently, said he thought the over-abundance of American sailables in the English market and the standstill in English trade with America was largely due to America's facility of frequent mails to England. "The late government," he continued, "determined to remedy the defects in our mail service, and gave notice that it would conclude contracts. When the present government came into office it decided to obtain the same free hand sending of mails as America enjoyed. It has become the duty of the government, however painful, to consider the interests of the country before those of any particular body desiring a monopoly. The present arrangements effects a saving of £25,000 yearly, and provides an efficient and regular service. I believe the country will accord hearty support thereto. At

the same time we will be only too glad to utilize the services of the Cunard and White Star lines, provided these services can be reconciled with the paramount interests of the country."

GEN. BULLER SPEAKS FOR THE IRISH TENANTS.

AN INKLING OF A SENSATION—THE LAND LEAGUE THE SALVATION OF THE TENANTRY.

United Ireland publishes a resume of the evidence given by Gen. Buller before the Royal Commission at Killarney. The Commission was appointed by the present government to inquire into the working of the Land Act. Evidence was taken with closed doors and the resume is given in an extract from a private letter addressed by a member of the commission to an English member of Parliament. It is to the following effect:

BULLER'S EVIDENCE.

"Gen. Buller's evidence was excessively mischievous. It will be quoted, and the evidence of boycotting, which is simply awful, will be thrown in the shade. I cannot conceive why he was sent over. It is emotional Englishmen who play the devil with this unfortunate country. He is a very nice, unassuming fellow in manner, but he has fallen into the hands of a horde of fanatics and his head is stuffed with nonsense. He fancies himself lord high protector. I cannot tell you how many incautious, crude remarks he made in the course of less than ten minutes' examination. Nobody seemed anxious to prolong it. One thing struck me particularly; he was asked whether the land league has considerable hold upon the people. He said, certainly it has, and why should it not; it is the

SALVATION OF THE PEOPLE.

Until the league arose there was nobody to protect them. There was law but it was only on one side; there was no law for them." He told us that in his district he found the people over rented and miserable and in places even the judicial rents too high; that he himself had to interfere in one case of hardship and he had no confidence in the administration of the law."

DIPHTHERIA AND PIGEON KEEPING.

At a recent meeting of a Anatomical and Pathological Society of Brussels M. Destree called the attention of the members to the fact that cases of croup had been greatly and steadily on the increase in Brussels, so that croup and diphtheria were now epidemic there; and he ventured to suggest that there might be some connection between the keeping of pigeons and the occurrence of these diseases. He pointed out that Emmeriels and Munich had found the microbes of diphtheria in these birds, and he himself had met with three cases of croup in families where pigeons were kept, in all of which cases signs of the disease had appeared in the pigeons. M. Destree hoped that members would bear this matter in mind in order that it might be further elucidated.—*Medical News.*

LIBERTY'S TORCH.

The Goddess of Liberty on Bedloe's Island, whose torch is now lighted promptly at sundown each evening, came very near being seriously injured last Monday evening. Soon after the carbons had been adjusted, one of the men had occasion to visit the torch. What was his surprise to find the curtain which covers the lenses during the day in flames.

The cloth was still burning, and a portion of it had dropped to the bottom of the torch, but fortunately caught there. Had it dropped to the light wood-work of the stair below, there would have been a big bon-fire inside the statue and serious damage would have resulted.

"Adamantine" Sole Leather is just what the poor man wants, for it will wear as long again as any other brand. BOWRING BROS.

THE CANADIAN FISHERIES.

Some figures made up by the officials of the Government at Ottawa, would seem to indicate that the imposition of a duty on our fish in the United States is not very seriously affecting the fish industry of the country. The following comparative statement by months, for the nine months, January to September, 1885 and 1886, shows that the shortage is only \$560,643 in 1886:—

	1885.	1886.
January.....	\$ 397,171	\$ 326,701
February.....	408,643	299,093
March.....	390,539	253,696
April.....	262,724	287,763
May.....	334,247	365,938
June.....	907,082	906,600
July.....	967,577	808,952
August.....	664,048	597,618
September.....	879,007	813,961
Total.....	\$5,202,039	\$4,641,376

It is stated that the whole year's exhibit will reduce this balance, as large quantities of mackerel are now going forward to the United States. Of course the Government, through its agents, will try to put the best possible face on the

fishing matter and the items that make up the fishing export will be collected with more than the usual diligence. It is not alone by the difference in our export that the loss is to be estimated. Our bait sellers along the coast, who sold fish that never entered into the exports tables, have lost a profitable business, and we are put to enormous expense to protect our fisheries. We most sincerely hope that both parties will see their way to a better arrangement of this matter than exists now.

ALMOST A NATIVE.

"You are a native of this parish?" asked a Scotch sheriff of a witness who was summoned to testify in a case of illicit distilling. "Maistly, yer Honor," was the reply. "I mean, were you born in this parish?" "Na, yer Honor; I wasna born in this parish, but I'm maist a native for a' that." "You came here when you were a child, I suppose you mean?" said the sheriff. "No, sir; I'm just here about six years' noo." "Then how do you come to be nearly a native of the parish?" "Weel, you see when I cam' here sax years sin', I jist weighed eight stane, an' I'm fully seventeen stane noo; sae ye see that about nine stanes o' me belongs to this parish an' the ither eight comes frae Camlache."

"Adamantine" Sole Leather is just what the rich man wants, because a sole made of this leather, half the thickness of other brands, will wear just as long. No need to carry unnecessary weight. BOWRING BROS.

Local and other Items.

The steamer *Curlaw* left Harbor Briton at 5 a.m. yesterday, bound home.

The amount realized by the performance of the Mikado last night was about \$350.

The highest point attained by thermometer during the last twenty-four hours was 30, the lowest 16.

The piano used at the performance of the Mikado was a Fisher piano, kindly loaned for the occasion by Mr. Conrod.

Mr. Hutton received a complimentary letter this morning from His Excellency Governor DesVoeux on the success of the entertainment last evening.

Gentlemen who have favored us by taking advertising spaces in the COLONIST Xmas Number will oblige by sending in their advertisements as soon as possible.

The steamer *Miranda* sailed for Halifax and New York at 3 this afternoon, this is her last trip this season. She took the following passengers:—

FOR HALIFAX—Miss Fickett and Mr. Boyle in saloon and ten in steerage. FOR NEW YORK—one in steerage.

The steamer *Plover*, Captain Manuel, arrived here from the northward this morning at ten o'clock. She brought up the crew of the schooner *William*, belonging to William Parnell, Esq., Captain Carroll, which was lost on the 2nd inst., at Black Island, near Exploits, Notre Dame Bay. The schooner was loaded with fish, oil and herring at the time. The following is the list of her passengers:—

Miss Boyd, Miss Finlater, Miss Lockyer, Mrs. Reilly, Messrs. Moores, Phillips, Duff, Andrews, Lockyer, Hanham, Hodge, Cross, Byrne, House, Jeans, McGrath, Riche, Currie, Marchmont, Hutchins and 23 in steerage.

SUPREME COURT.

(Before Chief Justice and Special Jury.)

December 14th.

ERIZABETH CARNELL vs J. R. MCGOWAN, An action of trespass. The plaintiff sues the defendant for trespassing on land, which she alleged belongs to her, near the Penitentiary. The hearing of the case was postponed owing to the absence of some of the witnesses. Mr. Morrison for plaintiff; Mr. Whiteway for defendant.

(Before Judge Pinsent, D.C.L., without a Jury.)

DRYER & GREEN vs JOHN W. FORAN, This an action for balance on alleged settled accounts. His Lordship having heard the opening remarks of plaintiff's council, suggested that the parties should furnish each other with complete statements of accounts when he had no doubt that a satisfactory arrangement would be arrived at between them. In default of their agreeing upon any particular item, the item so disputed be referred to Mr. Adams, acting clerk for his arbitration. Mr. Green for plaintiff; Mr. Kent, Q.C., for defendant.

Deaths.

WALSH—This morning, at his residence, Quiddi Vidi Lake, after a long illness, Mr. James Walsh, aged 80 years, a native of Loughlan Bridge, Co. Carlow, Ireland. Funeral on Thursday next, at 2 o'clock, when friends of the family are respectfully requested to attend without further notice.

LAWSON—At South Boston, on the 29th of Oct., after a short illness, Ellen Lawson, the eldest daughter of the late Michael Mulcahy, a native of St. John's, N.F.

RICE—This morning, John Thomas, infant son of Annie and John Rice, aged 2 months.